

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS**

**Call to Order:** By **Doug Wagner**, on January 12, 1999 at 3:00 P.M.,  
in Room 312 - 1 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Doug Wagner, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Daniel Fuchs, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. George Golie, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Shiell Anderson (R)  
Rep. Gary Beck (D)  
Rep. Bob Davies (R)  
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)  
Rep. Tom Facey (D)  
Rep. Gail Gutsche (D)  
Rep. Marian Hanson (R)  
Rep. Hal Harper (D)  
Rep. Chase Hibbard (R)  
Rep. Joe McKenney (R)  
Rep. Brad Molnar (R)  
Rep. Bob Pavlovich (D)  
Rep. Bob Raney (D)  
Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)  
Rep. Jim Shockley (R)  
Rep. Roger Somerville (R)  
Rep. Allan Walters (R)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch  
Mikell Johnson, Committee Secretary

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and  
discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) : HB 93  
HJ 4  
Executive Action: HB 93

**HEARING ON HB 93**

**Sponsor:** Rep. Bob Pavlovich

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**Proponents:**

Jim Jacobsen, Montana Veteran Association

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Hal Manson, American Legion of Montana

***{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 56 - 63}***

John Sloan, Disabled Americans

***{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 64 - 67}***

Larry Longfellow, Veterans of Foreign Wars

***{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 69 - 71}***

Ken Hoovestahl, Walleys Unlimited

***{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 72 - 75}***

Jerry Wells, Trout Unlimited

***{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 76 - 79}***

**Opponents:** NONE

**Informational Testimony:** NONE

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** NONE

**Closing by Sponsor:** Rep. Bob Pavlovich

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**HEARING ON HJ 4**

**Sponsor:** Rep. Allan Walters

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**Proponents:**

Richard Everett, Montana Wool Growers Association

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**EXHIBIT(fih08a01)**

Merl Loyd, Self

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 159 - 161}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a02)**

Rosemarie Neuman, Western Montana Chapter of Wife

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 170 - 186}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a03)EXHIBIT(fih08a04)EXHIBIT(fih08a05)**

Patrick Hefferman, Montana Logging Association

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 187 - 239}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a06)**

John Mundunger, Montana Stockgrowers Association, Public Lands

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 240 - 273}**

Harold Maus, Concerned About Grizzlies

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 279 - 314}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a07)EXHIBIT(fih08a08)**

Lorna Karn, Montana Farm Bureau

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 314 - 316}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a09)**

Representative Audrey Curtis, District 81

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 316 - 343}**

Elginn Filkins, Concerned About Grizzlies

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 345 - 403}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a10)EXHIBIT(fih08a11)**

Bill Maloyd, Back Country Horsemen of Montana

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 410 - 435}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a12)EXHIBIT(fih08a13)**

Bill Newman, District Director Montana State Farm Bureau

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continued on side B}**

LaVern Richard, Self, Concerned About Grizzlies

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 507 - 522}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a14)**

Bob Steele, Concerned About Grizzlies

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 524 - 548}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a15)**

Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 550 - 562}**

Ken Hoovestahl, Montana Snowmobile Association

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 564 - 568}**

Candace Payne, WIFE

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 570 - 575}**

Barbra Sabo, Bitterroot Cowbells

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 577 - 580}**

Ken Kershner, Farm Bureau

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 581 - 599}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a16)**

Gene Buroker, Victor City Club, Bitterroot Back Country Horsemen

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 600 - 630}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a17) EXHIBIT(fih08a18) EXHIBIT(fih08a19)**

Terry Frost, Vice Pres. Bitterroot Stockgrowers, Montana  
Stockgrowers Association

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 631 - 640}**

James H. Freeman, Vice President Grassroots For Multiple Use

**EXHIBIT(fih08a20) EXHIBIT(fih08a21)**

Will Neustrom, Bitterroot Trading Company

**EXHIBIT(fih08a22)**

Ronne C. Richter, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a23)**

Maxine A. Ness, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a24)**

Jim Widner, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a25)**

Lloyd R. Ness, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a26)**

Bret Rider, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a27)**

Shirley Bugli, Environmental Issues, Montana State Wife  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a28)**

Robert L. Stewart, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a29)**

Alan Thompson, Board of Ravalli County Commissioners  
Smut Warren, Board of Ravalli County Commissioners  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a30) EXHIBIT(fih08a31)**

Tom Hildebrand, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a32)**

Terry Lopez, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a33)**

A.B., Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a34)**

Tari Conroy, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a35)**

Mike Conroy, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a36)**

Jack F. Wemple, President Wildlife Adventures, INC  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a37)**

Todd Ruark, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a38)**

Ryan Conner, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a39)**

Ilene Betts, Self  
Jack Betts, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a40)**

Paul G. Honey, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a41)**

Kenneth L. McPherson, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a42)**

Bud Larhin, Self  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a43)**

Judy Kilpatrick, Self  
Wayne Kilpatrick, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a44)**

Austin W. Bromley, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a45)**

Rhonda Dembisky, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a46)**

E., Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a47)**

M. M., Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a48)**

Jerry Wessels, President Bitterroot Valley Chamber of Commerce

**EXHIBIT(fih08a49)**

Steve Sherick, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a50)**

Fred Thomas, Self

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 222 - 229}**

Dale Berry, Self

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 229 - 232}**

Barbra Sabo, Bitterroot Cowbells

**{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 498 - 506}**

**Opponents:**

Dr. Lance Craigdead, Self

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 651 - 741}**

Tim Stevens, Greater Yellowstone Coalilation

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 744 - 822}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a51)**

Brian Peck, Sierra Club Grizzly Bear Ecosystems Project

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 829 - 980}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a52) EXHIBIT(fih08a53)**

Louise Wilcox, Sierra Club Grizzly Bear Coalolation

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continued on tape 2 side A}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a54) EXHIBIT(fih08a55)**

Vanessa Johnson, Sierra Club Grizzly Bear Ecosystem Project

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 98 - 175}**

**EXHIBIT(fih08a56) EXHIBIT(fih08a57)**

Rebecca Kaufman, Greater Yellowstone Coalition

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 178 - 204}**

Katrina Scheueman, Montana Audubon

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 205 - 219}**

Rick Meis, Self

**{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 506 - 760}**

Rick Meis, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a58)**

Judith M. Brawer, American Wildlands

**EXHIBIT(fih08a59)**

Mike Bader, Executive Director Alliance for the Wild Rockies

**EXHIBIT(fih08a60)**

Brian Peck, self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a61)**

Diann Thompson, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a62)**

**Informational Testimony:** NONE

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

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**Closing by Sponsor:** Representative Allan Walters

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**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HOUSE BILL 93**

**Vote:** Motion that HB 93 do pass carried 19-1 with Representative Rehbein voting no.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 5:55 P.M.

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REP. DOUG WAGNER, Chairman

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MIKELL JOHNSON, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT** (fih08aad)